

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 718

Introduced by Assembly Member Hall

February 17, 2011

An act to amend Section 22972 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to cigarettes and tobacco products.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 718, as introduced, Hall. Cigarettes and tobacco products: retailers: licenses.

The California Cigarette and Tobacco Products Licensing Act of 2003 requires a retailer to have and maintain a license from the State Board of Equalization to engage in the sale of cigarette and tobacco products in California.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change in those provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 22972 of the Business and Professions
- 2 Code is amended to read:
- 3 22972. (a) Commencing June 30, 2004, a retailer shall have
- 4 in place and maintain a license to engage in the sale of cigarettes
- 5 or tobacco products. A retailer that owns or controls more than
- 6 one retail location shall obtain a separate license for each retail
- 7 location, but may submit a single application for those licenses.

1 (b) The retailer shall conspicuously display the license at each
2 retail location in a manner *that is* visible to the public.

3 (c) A license is not assignable or transferable. A person who
4 obtains a license as a retailer who ceases to do business as specified
5 in the license, or who never commenced business, or whose license
6 is suspended or revoked, shall immediately surrender the license
7 to the board.

8 (d) A license shall be valid for a 12-month period, and shall be
9 renewed annually.

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